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Letters from the Con Chairs

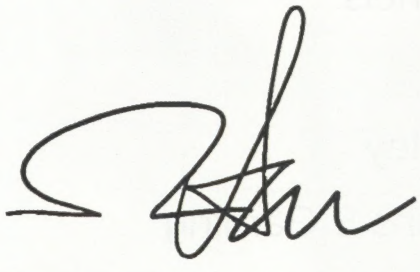
Omega Au

This year has certainly been a whirlwind of happenings, both at home and around the world. Despite these challenges, our team has diligently dedicated their energy to ensuring the best possible experience for Anime Boston 2025.

As this year's convention chair, I had the opportunity to engage with other organizations in similar industries—whether through collaborating with local groups or visiting nearby anime conventions—and found these conversations inspirational. Discovering the reach of Anime Boston's impact has energized me to continue finding new ways to improve the experience for attendees and guests alike!

The relationships we build and the connections we establish motivate my desire to improve for the future and maintain a safe and welcoming environment for everyone. We have many wonderful events happening this weekend, and I hope you enjoy what our team has put together this year.

See you around the halls!



Omega Au | Anime Boston Convention Chair

Eric Pescatore

I'm thrilled to welcome you all to another fantastic convention weekend. This year is particularly special for me, as it marks my first time stepping into a leadership role after volunteering for almost as long as Anime Boston has existed. Anime Boston is an essential part of my life, fueling my passion for anime and Japanese culture. The friendships and connections I've made here have profoundly shaped my personal journey.

For over 20 years, Anime Boston has thrived as a volunteer-run organization thanks to the dedication, creativity, and passion of more than 700 incredible staff members who are driven by a shared love for anime and Japanese culture. Their efforts and our community's enthusiasm and commitment make each year unforgettable.

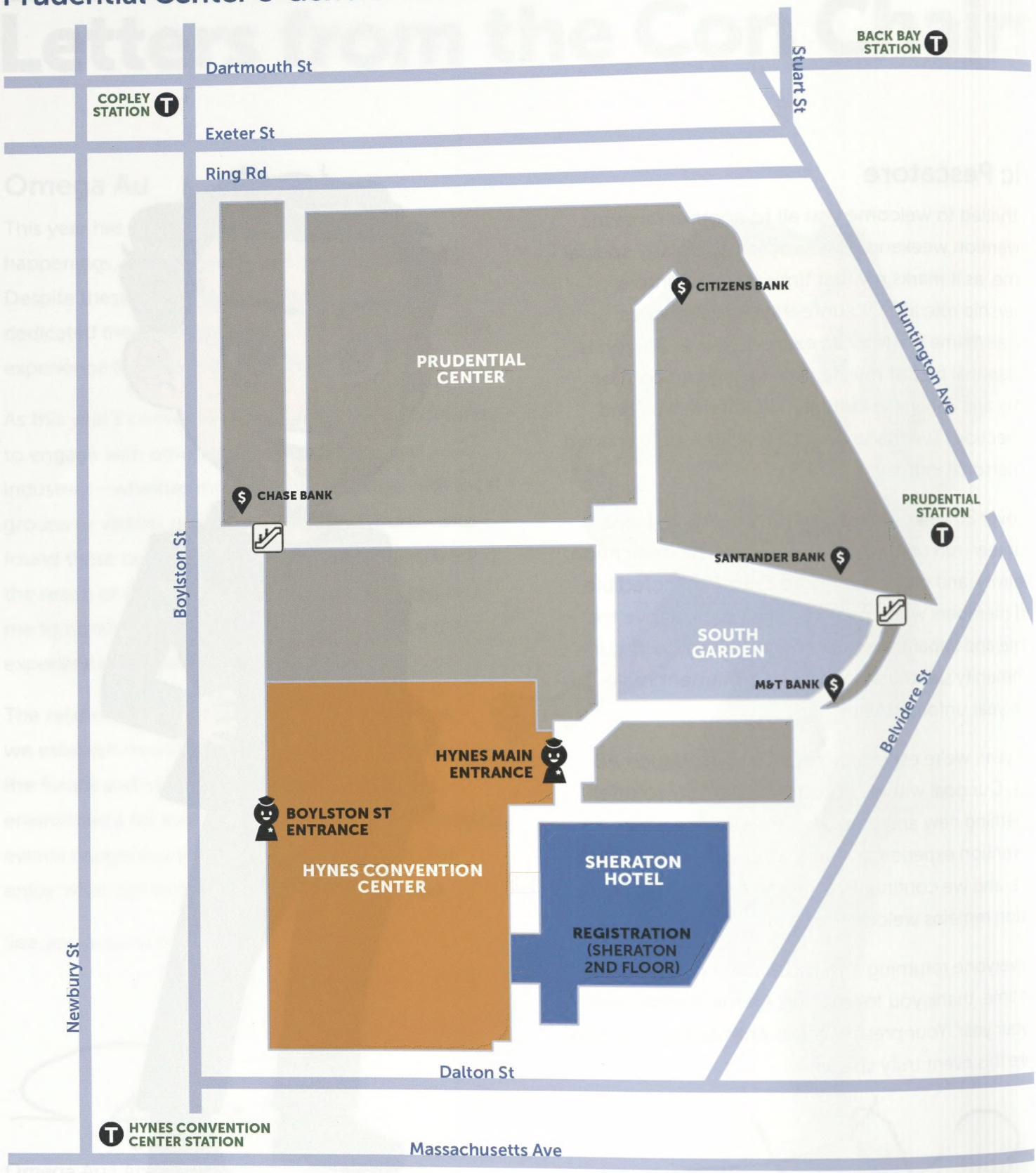
This year, we're especially excited to introduce AB Ultra. Our goal with this program is simply to offer something new and engaging to enhance your convention experience. Every attendee is important to us, and we continually strive to ensure Anime Boston remains welcoming to all.

To everyone returning and those joining us for the first time, thank you for making Anime Boston part of your year. Your presence and enthusiasm are what make this event truly special.

Eric Pescatore

Eric Pescatore | Anime Boston Convention Vice Chair

Prudential Center & General Area



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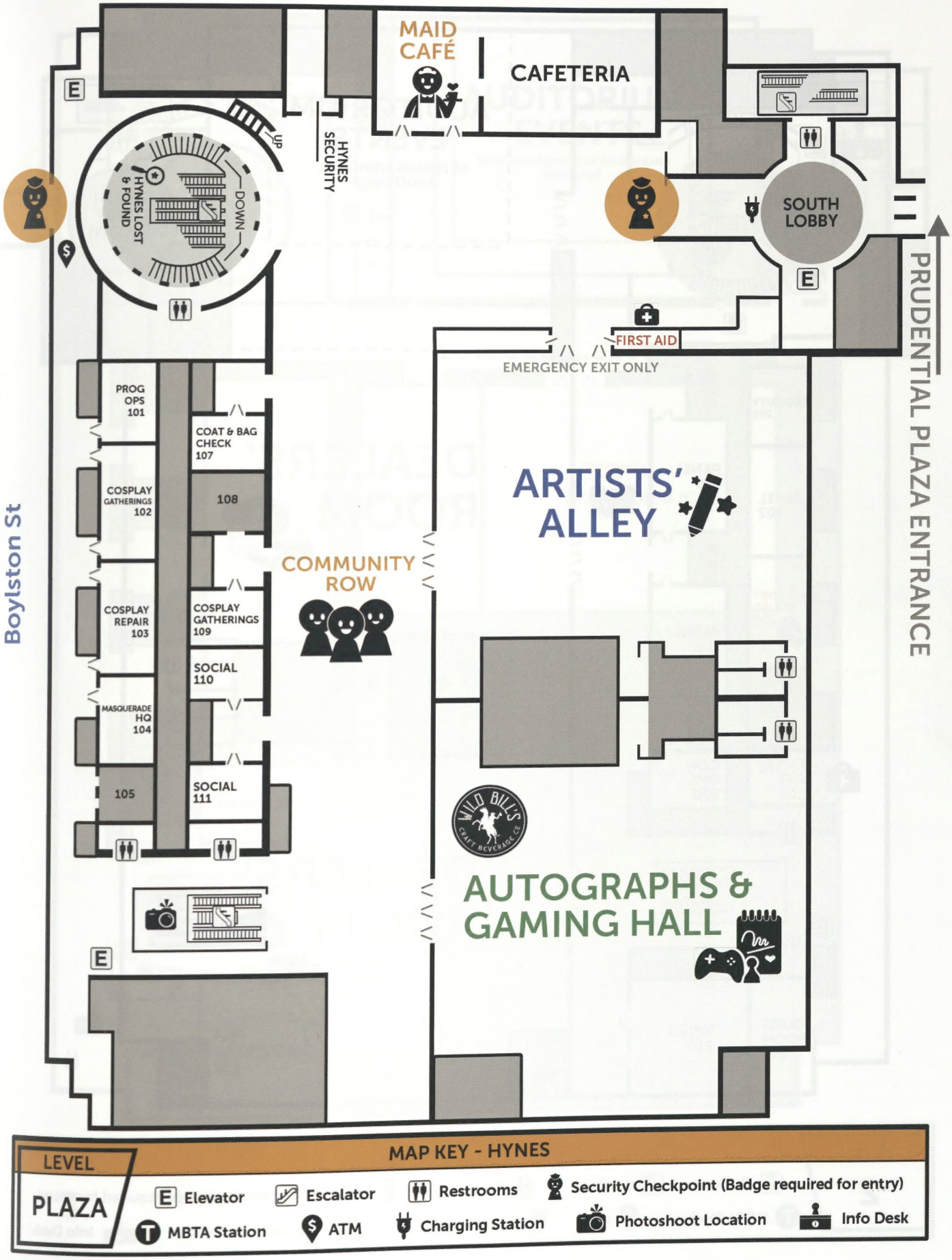

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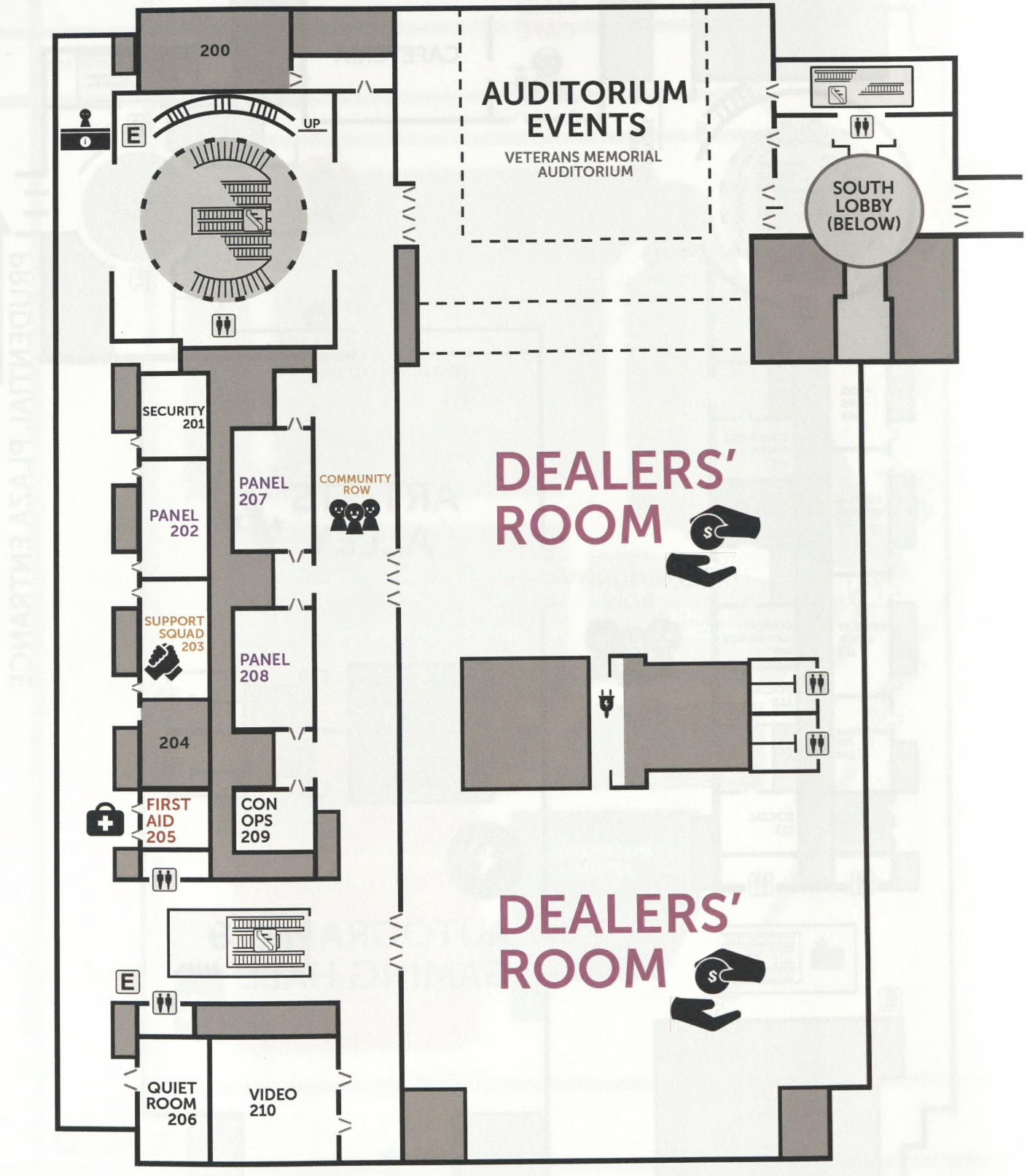

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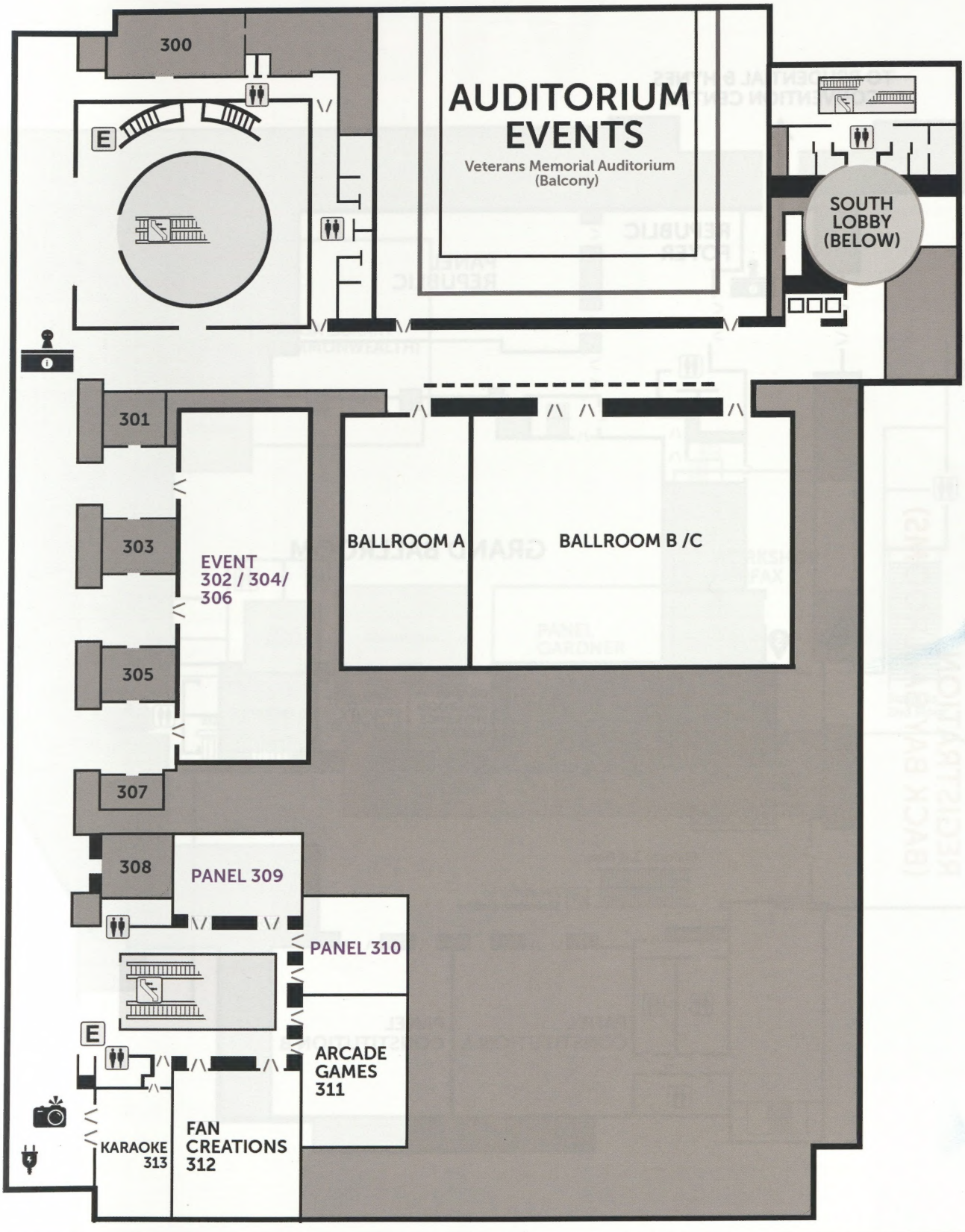

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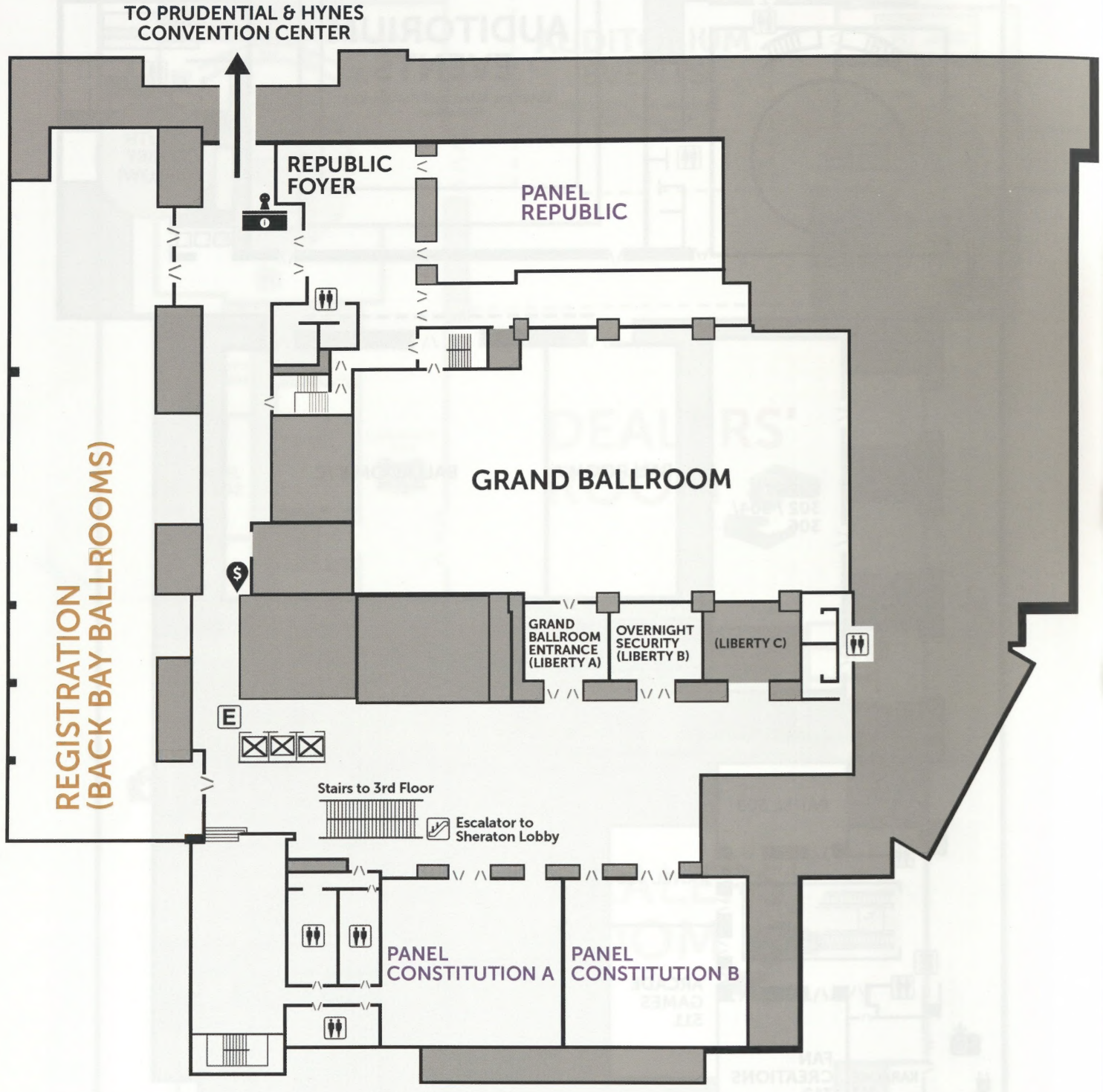

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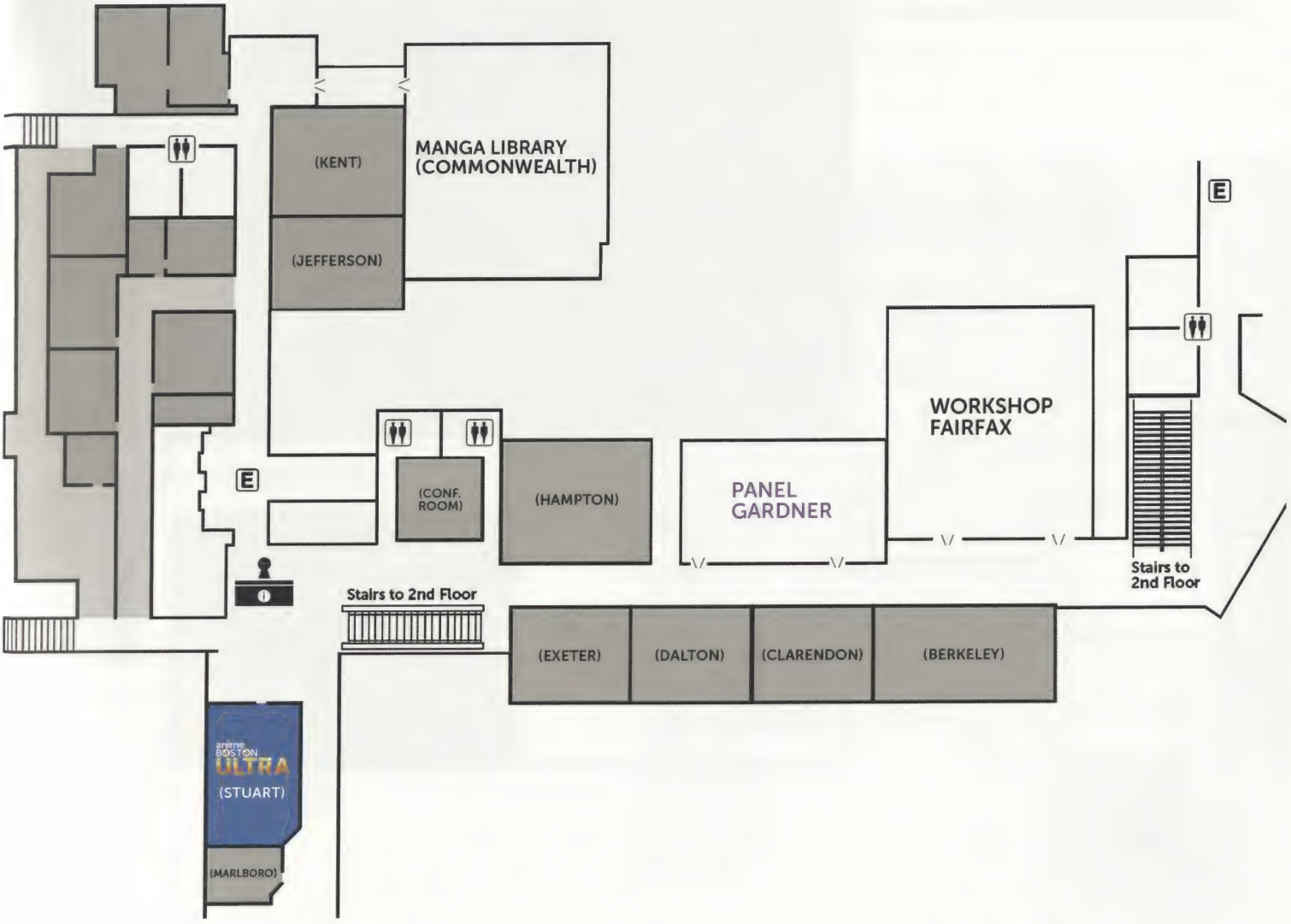

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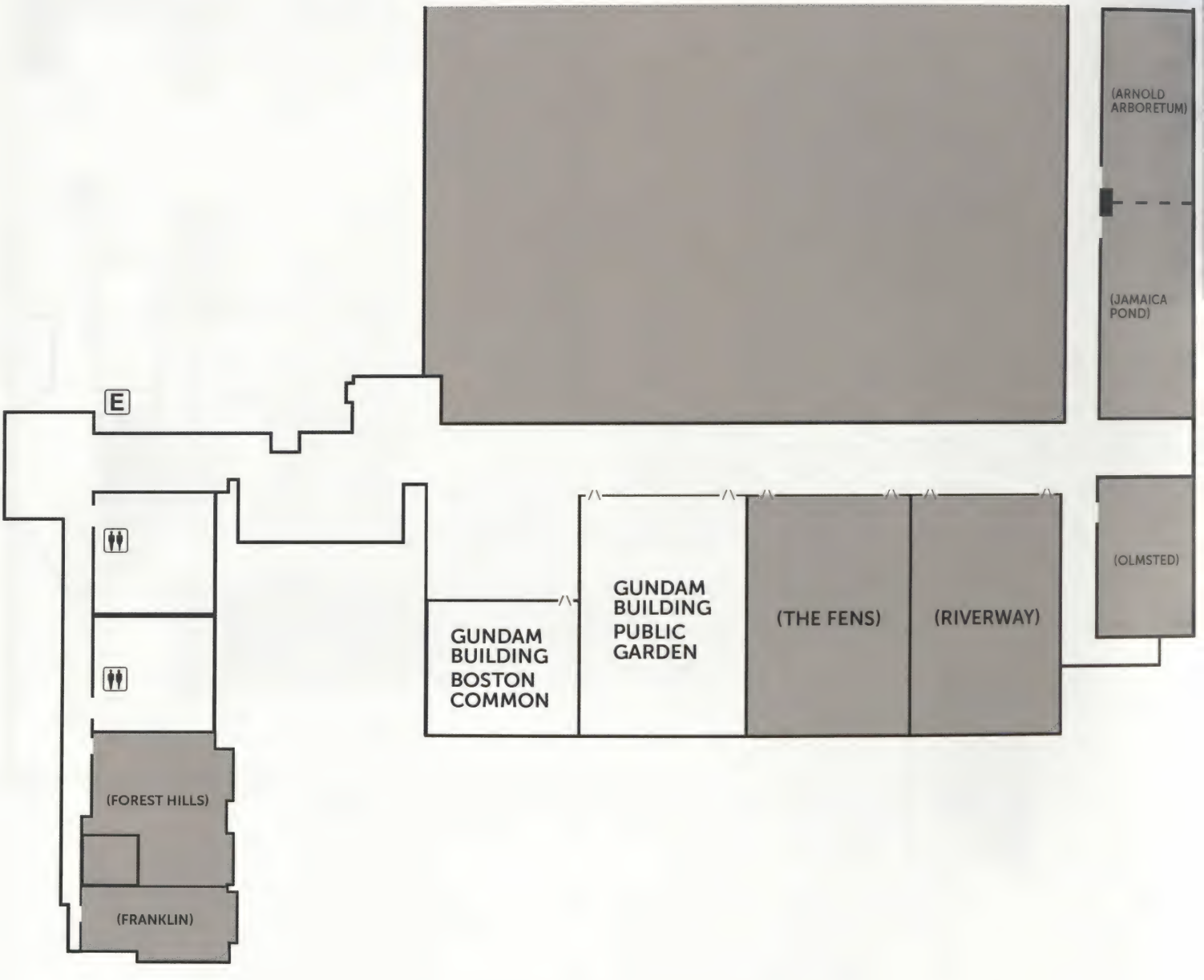
Sheraton Hotel | 5th Floor



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Directory

Hynes Convention Center

Friday: 8 a.m.–2 a.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m.–2 a.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

21+ Lounge

Kings, 50 Dalton Street
Across from the Sheraton Lobby

Friday: 6–9 p.m.

Arcade Gaming

Presented by Freeplay Bar & Arcade and Touhou Road Shou
Hynes 3rd Floor, Room 311

Friday: 11 a.m.–2 a.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.–2 a.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Artists' Alley & Art Show

Hynes 1st Floor, Hall A

Friday: 11 a.m.–9 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m.–9 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m.–3 p.m.
Art Show closes at 8 p.m. on Saturday & Sunday

Auditorium

Hynes 2nd Floor, Veterans Memorial Auditorium
Balcony seating is available for select events via Hynes 3rd Floor.

Autographs & Gaming

Hynes 1st Floor, Hall B

Autographs

Friday: 11 a.m.–8 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m.–8 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Console Gaming

Presented by Aegis Gaming

Friday: 10 a.m.–11 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m.–11 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Tabletop Gaming

Friday: 10 a.m.–11 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m.–11 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Wild Bill's Olde Fashioned Soda

Bag & Coat Check

Hynes 1st Floor, Room 107

Friday: 11:30 a.m.–12 a.m.
Sat: 8 a.m.–12 a.m.
Sun: 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

Community Row

Hynes 1st Floor, Outside Hall A
Hynes 2nd Floor, Outside Hall C

Convention Operations

Hynes 2nd Floor, Room 209

Friday: 8 a.m.–2 a.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m.–2 a.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Cosplay Rooms

Cosplay Repair

Hynes 1st Floor, Room 103
Friday: 10 a.m.–9 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.–9 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m.–2 p.m.

Broken tiara? Bent katana? Crumpled wings? Visit the cosplay repair station for access to free materials such as tape, glue, bobby pins, hair spray, stain removers, and scrap fabric. Staff are on hand to answer questions. The cosplay repair station is completely free!

Masquerade Headquarters

Hynes 1st Floor, Room 104
Friday: 12:30–4:30 p.m.
Saturday: 9:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Dealers' Room

Hynes 2nd Floor, Hall C & D

Friday: 12–7 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m.–7 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

First Aid

Hynes 2nd Floor, Room 205

Friday: 10 a.m.–12 a.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m.–12 a.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

Gender-Neutral Restrooms

Hynes 1st Floor, Outside Hall B
Hynes 2nd Floor, Outside Hall D
Hynes 3rd Floor, Near Room 308

Gundam Building

Presented by Gundam Bros
Sheraton 5th Floor, Boston Common & Public Garden

Friday: 10 a.m.–10 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m.–10 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Hynes Ballroom

Hynes 3rd Floor, Ballroom B

Info Desks

Hynes 2nd Floor, Near top of escalators
Hynes 3rd Floor, Near top of escalators
Sheraton 2nd Floor, Outside Republic
Sheraton 2nd Floor, Outside Independence
Sheraton 3rd Floor, Lobby

Karaoke Lounge

Hynes 3rd Floor, Room 313

Friday: 9 a.m.–2 a.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.–2 a.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Lost & Found

Hynes Ground Level, Near Boylston St. Entrance

Maid Café

Hynes 1st Floor, Coffee House (Main Hall)

Friday: 12–6 p.m.
Saturday: 12–5 p.m.
Sunday: 12–3 p.m.

Manga Library

Todd MacDonald Memorial Manga Library
Sheraton 3rd Floor, Commonwealth

Friday: 10 a.m.–11 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.–11 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m.–2 p.m.

When you need a quiet place to read or to take a break from the convention hustle, the Manga Library is the perfect escape. With over 2,400 titles and comfy bean bags, you're sure to find a new favorite or revisit an old friend.

Programming Operations

Hynes 1st Floor, Room 101

Friday: 8 a.m.–2 a.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m.–2 a.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m.–3 p.m.

Do you have questions about programming? We have answers! Stop by to pick up passes for Speed Friending or the Maid Café. Panelists and cosplay participants can also check in here.

Quiet Room

Presented by Guardians Mental Health
Hynes 2nd Floor, Room 206

Friday: 11 a.m.–7 p.m.
Saturday: 11 a.m.–7 p.m.
Sunday: 11 a.m.–3 p.m.

Take a moment to step away from the bustle of the convention in our quiet room, complete with sensory support materials.

Registration

Sheraton 2nd Floor, Back Bay

Thursday: 3–8:30 p.m.
(Preregistered and Friday members only)
Friday: 8:30 a.m.–8 p.m.
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Saturday: 8:30 a.m.–8 p.m.
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Sunday: 8 a.m.–1 p.m.

Security

Hynes 2nd Floor, Room 201

Friday: 8 a.m.–2 a.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m.–2 a.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Overnight Security

Sheraton 2nd Floor, Liberty B

Friday: 12–8 a.m.
Saturday: 12–8 a.m.
Sunday: 12–8 a.m.

Prop Check

Hynes 1st Floor, All Entrances

Friday: 8 a.m.–2 a.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m.–2 a.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

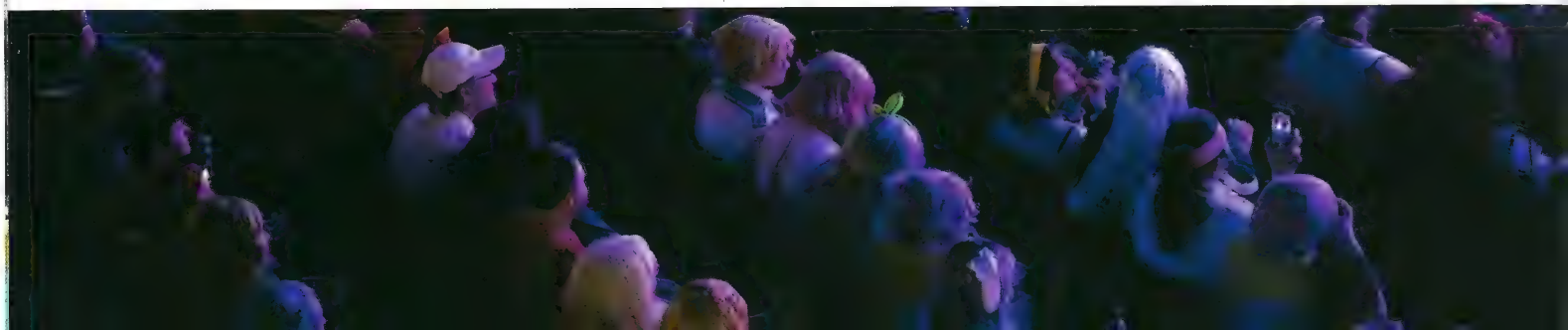
Support Squad

Hynes 2nd Floor, Room 203

Friday: 8 a.m.–10 p.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m.–10 p.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m.–3 p.m.

Workshop

Sheraton 3rd Floor, Fairfax A & B



Accessibility

Accessibility Stickers

Accessibility stickers are available at the Accessibility Services booth, located in Registration. These stickers are given to any person with an injury or disability who may require advanced seating to events and priority access through the security line. An assistant or companion may be given one additional sticker. Accessibility stickers are given at the discretion of Anime Boston staff to those in need and will be applied to the person's badge. Read Anime Boston's Advanced Seating Policy for more information.

Advanced Seating

Advanced seating will be available for events in the auditorium or any programming where the room is cleared beforehand. Advanced seating locations are at the discretion of Anime Boston staff. Advanced seating will begin 10 minutes prior to general event seating. If seating is already in progress, a person with an accessibility sticker may bypass the line and proceed to the entrance. If an event requires a special pass for admission, then an attendee must still present that special pass in addition to the accessibility sticker in order to be seated.

Wheelchairs

All Anime Boston partner facilities are fully wheelchair-accessible. The Hynes Convention Center has a small number of on-site rentable wheelchairs. Please contact the Hynes Convention Center for more information.

Bathrooms

All facilities have bathrooms equipped with accessible stalls. If you are using one of these stalls to change into your cosplay, please give those who need to use the bathroom first priority.

Elevators

All facilities are equipped with elevators. Please refer to the maps in Guidebook or the Program Guide for elevator locations.

Service Animals

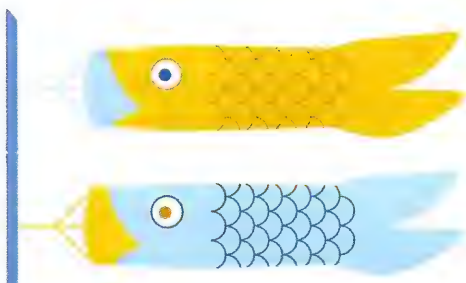
ADA-defined service animals are welcome at Anime Boston. However, if the animal is exhibiting disruptive behavior without action from its handler, Anime Boston reserves the right to ask that the animal be removed. Under the ADA guidelines, we require that all service animals be harnessed, leashed, or tethered at all times unless this affects the animal's performance of its tasks. If you are an attendee encountering a service animal, please do not pet the animal, as petting may distract it from its duties. Dressing a service animal in costume is at the handler's discretion.

Vision Impairments

For people with vision impairments or low vision, please read Anime Boston's Advanced Seating Policy.

Captions

Closed captions may be turned on in any video screening room by request. Please find a staff member for assistance.



Support Squad

Want to Volunteer for Anime Boston?

Become a volunteer by joining the Anime Boston Support Squad! As a squad member, you will provide support to the convention and its staff. Here are some duties you might perform as a support squad member:

- Line control
- Seating direction
- Registration assistance
- Odd jobs and tasks as needed

To sign up, visit the Support Squad HQ, located in Hynes 203. You must have a valid mailing address to receive convention membership reimbursement. Squad members who are 16 or 17 years old at the time of the convention must have a parent/guardian present to sign a waiver. Squad members must be registered for the convention before volunteering.

By joining the Support Squad, you become eligible for meals and prizes during the convention. Check out our contact information below for more details!

Note: If you didn't apply to the Anime Boston Support Squad before the convention, you can still sign up.

See you soon!

Musical Guests

BLUE ENCOUNT

Japanese Band

BLUE ENCOUNT is a four-piece band hailing from Kumamoto, in southern Japan. They debuted with the EP "TIMELESS ROOKIE" in September 2014 and have since released four full albums: "≒," "THE END," "VECTOR," and "q.e.d," with several of their songs being featured as anime themes. Marking their recent 20th anniversary, the band kicked off an Asia tour and is currently performing with all four members.

Magnificent Danger

Band

Magnificent Danger is an energetic collective of brass and percussion musicians dishing out funky mashups of iconic tunes from your favorite video games and anime. Their mix of big band, New Orleans second line, riot jazz, funk, and hip-hop creates a bizarre but danceable party appreciated by musicians and nerds alike. Anime Boston is thrilled to have them as the main performer at our Sunday Concert!

Reol

Musician

Reol is an internet-born songwriter, record producer, rapper, and the first Japanese female artist to hit the fastest 1 million subscribers. With her hit song "THE SIXTH SENSE" exceeding 100 million streams and her subscriber count reaching over 1.68 million, Reol was chosen for the first YouTube Global campaign "Artist on the Rise." With a clear electronic and rock influence, her music is a distinctive fusion of pop and Asian pop subgenres. Among her discography, Reol is known for "Edge," the ending theme song to "Rurouni Kenshin: Meiji Kenkaku Romantan," "RE RESCUE" of "Blue Exorcist -Beyond the Snow Saga-," and more.

Voice Acting Guests

Kana Ichinose

Japanese Voice Actress

Kana Ichinose is a Japanese voice actress from Hokkaido. She debuted as a voice actress in 2016 and got her first major role as Ichigo in "Darling in the Franxx" in 2018. Since then, she has voiced many beloved characters such as Maki Shijou from "Kaguya-sama: Love Is War," Tuesday from "CAROLE & TUESDAY," Yuzuriha Ogawa from "Dr. Stone," Sayu Ogiwara in "Higehiro," Chihiro Yoshioka in "Gleipnir," Miku Suride in "Do It Yourself!!," and more!

Yuriko Yamaguchi

Japanese Voice Actress

Yuriko Yamaguchi is a Japanese voice actress and narrator. She is most well-known for her roles as Nico Robin from "One Piece," Ritsuko Akagi from "Neon Genesis Evangelion," Nurse Joy from the Pokémon anime series, Orochimaru from "Naruto," Nora Lemming from the Full Metal Panic series, and more.

This is her first appearance at Anime Boston! She will be hosting Q&A panels and free autograph sessions. Don't miss your chance to meet her!

AJ Beckles

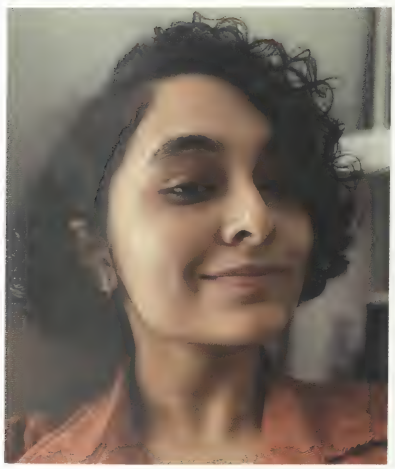
Voice Actor

AJ Beckles is an Afro-Latino voice actor raised in the Boston area and based in LA. AJ has had the absolute privilege of voicing Okarun in "Dandadan," Takemichi Hanagaki in "Tokyo Revengers," Matt Ishida in "Digimon Adventure: 2020," Kaname Tosen in "Bleach: Thousand-Year Blood War," various characters in Honkai: Star Rail, and many more! If he's not acting, he's eating, so feel free to tell him all about your favorite food spots!

Anairis Quiñones

Voice Actor

A Florida native, Anairis Quiñones is an LA-based voice actor best known for her roles as Mirko in "My Hero Academia," Rika in "Jujutsu Kaisen 0," Hinatsuru in "Demon Slayer," and more. She can also be heard in "Craig of the Creek" and "Rainbow High," as well as video games such as Fire Emblem Heroes and New Pokémon Snap. She loves indie games, her pets, and the outdoors. Anairis is also a writer, director, and strong advocate for diversity and mental health.



Anjali Kunapaneni

Voice Actor

Anjali is a voice actor known for their work as Roy ("Pokémon Horizons: The Series"), Dori (Genshin Impact), Sushang (Honkai: Star Rail), Yuki Tsukumo ("Jujutsu Kaisen"), Alma (Monster Hunter Wilds), Shi Qingxuan ("Heaven Official's Blessing"), Feri (The Legend of Heroes: Trails through Daybreak), Ayaka ("Fate/strange Fake"), Lemon ("MASHLE: MAGIC AND MUSCLES"), Shinigami (Master Detective Archives: Rain Code), Kiruko ("Heavenly Delusion"), and more.

Bryson Baugus

Voice Actor

Bryson Baugus is a Dallas-based voice actor, singer, and stage actor. He is known for voicing many roles in anime and video games such as Shoyo Hinata ("Haikyu!!"), Nagi Seishiro ("BLUE LOCK"), Falco Grice ("Attack on Titan"), Gepard Landau (Honkai: Star Rail), Bell Cranel ("Is It Wrong to Try to Pick Up Girls in a Dungeon?"), Akihiko Nirei ("WIND BREAKER"), Pegasus Seiya ("Saint Seiya"), Sherbet Cookie (CookieRun: Kingdom), Takumi Aldini ("Food Wars!"), and many others.

Voice Acting Guests

Caitlin Glass

Voice Actor, ADR Director

Caitlin Glass is a voice actor and ADR director. Best known for the role of Winry Rockbell in "Fullmetal Alchemist," she has been working in the anime industry since 2004. Her directing credits include the English dub of "Ouran High School Host Club." Some of Caitlin's other notable roles include Haruhi Fujioka in "Ouran High School Host Club," Mina Ashido in "My Hero Academia," and Damian Desmond in "SPY x FAMILY." In video games, she has voiced Ember in Borderlands 3, Clever in Tiny Tina's Wonderlands, and more.

Dallas Reid

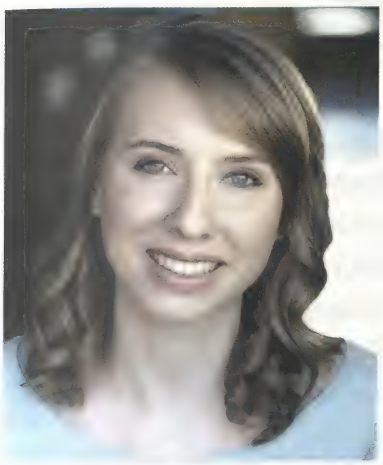
Voice Actor

Dallas Reid is known primarily for their role in "Black Clover" as Asta. Some of the other characters they've played include Yamatonokami Yasusada in "Touken Ranbu: Hanamaru," Hideki/Rusian in "And you thought there is never a girl online?", Liquiir in "Dragon Ball Super," Juzo and Nirengeki in "My Hero Academia," and Zack Foster in the anime adaptation of the hit video game, "Angels of Death."

Greg Ayres

Voice Actor

For almost 25 years and with over 376 credits to his name, Greg Ayres has played a great variety of characters. His current roles are Po in "The Eminence in Shadow," Kenta Kanzaki in "The Dangers in My Heart," Yū Nishinoya in "Haikyu!!" Chai in "Shenmue the Animation," God in "Dark Gathering," and more. Of all of his many roles, his favorite will always be the real-life role of Little Brother to the guy with a big sippy cup and an even bigger heart who touched the world with his "Love and Laughter."



Jill Harris

Voice Actor

Jill Harris is an anime fan and voice actor. Her roles include Charlie Magne/Charlie Morningstar in the pilot of "Hazbin Hotel," Noelle Silva in "Black Clover," Mandalay in "My Hero Academia," Nino Nakano in "The Quintessential Quintuplets," Aura Bella Fiora in "Overlord," Charlotte Pudding in "One Piece," and Suletta Mercury in "Mobile Suit Gundam: The Witch from Mercury."

She can also be heard in Borderlands 3, "Attack on Titan," "Fruits Basket," and more.

Juliet Simmons

Voice Actress, VTuber

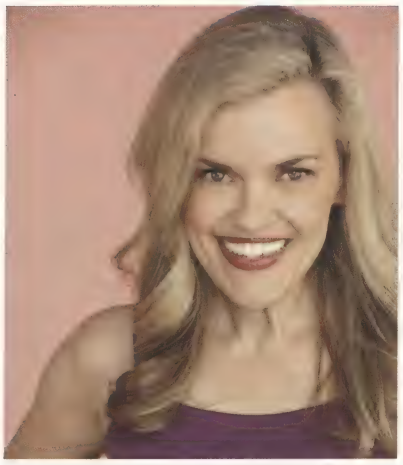
Juliet Simmons is a voice actress and YouTube cover artist with over 10 years of experience. Under the name JubyPhonic, she currently has 1.15 million subscribers and 100+ covers with over 1 million views. Additionally, she can be heard as Kitty ("Hello Kitty & Friends"), Chiyo Sakura ("Monthly Girls' Nozaki-kun"), Eiko ("Ya Boy Kongming!"), and Mem-Cho ("Oshi no Ko"). Juliet has loved anime and Japanese culture since she was old enough to read the subtitles.

Kaiji Tang

Voice Actor

An avid lover of gaming and food, LA-based Kaiji Tang has been a voice actor since 2007. Some of his most famous anime roles include Satoru Gojo from "Jujutsu Kaisen," Osamu Dazai from "Bungo Stray Dogs," Joe from "MEGALOBOX," Sanemi Shinazugawa from "Demon Slayer," and Guts from "Berserk (2016)." In video games, he notably voiced Ichiban Kasuga from Yakuza, Eustace from Granblue Fantasy: Versus, Faust from Guilty Gear, Owain from Fire Emblem Awakening, and more.

Voice Acting Guests



Kari Wahlgren

Voice Actor

Kari Wahlgren was first introduced to anime audiences as the voice of Haruko in "FLCL." Since then, she has voiced hundreds of characters in anime, animation, and video games. Some of her many anime roles include Saber in "Fate/Zero" and "Fate/stay night," Celty in "Durarara," Fuu in "Samurai Champloo," Dee Eye Ell in "Sword Art Online," and Anemone in "Eureka Seven." Outside of anime, she has voiced Jessica, Rick's Spaceship, and Diane in "Rick and Morty," as well as Zatanna in "DC Superhero Girls." Video game roles include Kitana and Mileena in Mortal Kombat 11 and 1, Harley Quinn in Gotham Knights, and more.

Kirk Thornton

Voice Actor

Prior to voicework, Kirk Thornton had careers in the theater, film, and TV industries. Directors found that Kirk had voice acting talent, so they entrusted him with roles such as Askeladd in "Vinland Saga," Gabumon and the various Garurumons in "Digimon," Jin in "Samurai Champloo," Tanjuro in "Demon Slayer," Kisame and Shukaku in "Naruto," Yujiro Hanma in "Baki," and more. Some of his video game roles include Shadow in Sonic the Hedgehog, Igor in various Persona games, and Saïx in Kingdom Hearts. He can also be heard in "Star Wars: The Clone Wars," "Love, Death & Robots," and "Clarence." Directing credits include Final Fantasy VII Remake, Fantasy VII Rebirth, Kingdom Hearts, and more. Kirk has also voiced the holy trinity of Batman, Superman, and Jesus.

Steve Blum

Voice Actor

Steve Blum is the voice of TOM from Adult Swim's Toonami; Spike from "Cowboy Bebop"; Zeb from "Star Wars Rebels," as well as stormtroopers, creatures, and others from all over the Star Wars universe; Wolverine from X-Men cartoons and games; Starscream from "Transformers: Prime"; Tank Dempsey from Call of Duty; Grunt from Mass Effect; Amon from "The Legend of Korra"; and thousands of other characters.

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Industry Guests

Hirokatsu Kihara

Japanese Director, Producer, and Author

Hirokatsu Kihara is a former producer, director, and studio coordinator at Studio Ghibli whose works include "Laputa: Castle in the Sky," "My Neighbor Totoro," and "Kiki's Delivery Service."

After leaving Studio Ghibli, he became a debut author. His famous collection of short stories, "Shin Mimibukuro" ("Tales of Terror"), has been adapted for TV, film, and comic books. Recently, he has been working on comic book adaptations of the works of horror manga artist Junji Ito, such as "Mimi's Tales of Terror" and "Stitches," both of which continue to be translated internationally.

We are proud to welcome Mr. Kihara back to Anime Boston as Studio Ghibli celebrates its 40th anniversary!

Ironmouse

VTuber

Ironmouse is a friendly, fun-loving demon who ran from her duties and escaped the confines of hell/the underworld in order to make new friends, learn new things, and live life to the fullest. She has the gift of gab along with an obsession with the internet, music, and all things cute, ESPECIALLY Cinnamoroll. All she ever wants to do is have fun, see what the human world is all about, and make as many friends as she can while she's at it!

Guest Artists

Machi

Illustrator

Machi is a freelance creator with roots in video game concept art, best known for her ability to seamlessly blend illustration and cosplay. Gaining a reputation for her distinctive style and captivating presence, she blurs the line between art and cosplay, using herself as a reference. This fusion is essential to her allure and ability to visually strike her audience both on the canvas and in front of the camera.

Sheya Chen

Illustrator

Sheya Chen is an illustrator currently living in New York. Her art is characterized by soft color tones and flowing lines. By skillfully playing with light and shadow, she brings her characters to life on the canvas, exuding grace and charm.

She has been honored with multiple awards, such as Society of Illustration and World Illustration awards. Her animation project, "WOLO," was released on May 20.

hololive Guests

Elizabeth Rose Bloodflame

hololive English -Justice-

"Let my voice be your strength."

The Scarlet Queen, Elizabeth Rose Bloodflame paves the way for the world and all of its people.

Not only does she stand at the forefront during missions with her physical prowess, but she also captures the hearts of all around her with her beautiful singing voice.

She is highly self-disciplined and a bit too hard on herself, but, perhaps due to her culture's emphasis on politeness and manners, she tends to go a bit soft on those around her.

As a result, she spends her days stressed out with her work coordinating Justice, but it seems like there's nothing a nice nap in a comfy bed can't fix.

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Gigi Murin

hololive English -Justice-

"Huh? But it was funny! Don't get mad at me!"

Born and raised under the flag of Freedom, Gigi Murin is a free-spirited Chaser and mischievous gremlin.

While she is proficient in chasing down targets with pure intuition, she struggles with memorizing directions and making calculated decisions.

She states that she'd rather not spend much time thinking because it makes her head hurt.

These quirks are also present in her everyday life, where she tends to prioritize her instinctual craving for fun and being silly over anything else.

She is often the source of headaches for those around her, causing trouble because she "thought it would be funny."

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hololive Guests

Cecilia Immergreen

hololive English -Justice-

"I came up with a new melody. Would you like to listen?"

Cecilia Immergreen is an Ancient Automaton, with a penchant for flowers, tea, and creating music.

Crafted during ancient times, Cecilia was originally made to be dedicated to eternal servitude.
Yet in recent times, she began slacking off on her work, lazily cooking mostly potatoes along with whatever else she found in the kitchen.

She has now all but abandoned her duties, doing the bare minimum and mostly immersing herself in her various crafty hobbies.

With newfound interests in life, she takes on every new experience with the pure curiosity of a young girl.

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Raora Panthera

hololive English -Justice-

"Woah, this place looks delicious! Let's go check it out!"

The Artist with the God Eyes, Raora Panthera is endowed with investigative and descriptive prowess.

Her means of information gathering are diverse, utilizing not only her agility and social skills, but also various social media platforms and other... unique methods.

The facial composites she draws based on the information she gathers are renowned for their accuracy, almost as if she was looking directly at the criminals as she draws.

However, these days, her gaze is directed towards finding new pizza joints and enjoying the pop culture of the far east.

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Hakos Baelz

hololive English -Promise-

Chaos. Mayhem. Entropy..... All in the form of a cute little rat.

She is a performer looking for her next stage. Occassionally she will get swept up in her own storm, but thats just part of the fun.

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Fuwawa Abyssgard

hololive English -Advent-

The fluffy older twin sister of The Demonic Guard Dogs, who were sealed away in The Cell for being a pain in the godly behind, Fuwawa Abyssgard is "The Fluffy One."

Her duty is to calmly look after her younger twin sister Mococo and their pet Pero, but that calmness can be short-lived. Ultimately, she is a bouncy and boisterous girl who loves to chat and play.

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Mococo Abyssgard

hololive English -Advent-

"Ehehe, it's play time, whether you're ready or not!"
The fuzzy younger twin sister of The Demonic Guard Dogs, who were sealed away in The Cell for being a pain in the godly behind, Mococo Abyssgard is "The Fuzzy One."

The rambunctious Mococo spent all her time imprisoned watching anime and playing games, often roping her older twin sister Fuwawa and their pet Pero in for more chaotic antics. It's rumored that she took part in the prison break just for the heck of it.

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Cosplay Guests

Chikkupea

Masquerade Performance Judge

Chikkupea is an award-winning cosplayer from Southern California. With over 10 years of costume-making experience, she loves creating anything blue, poofy, or sparkly. Her skill in stagecraft led her to represent the USA and place third at the Nordic Cosplay Championship 2024 in Linköping, Sweden. A lifelong performer, she is happiest when on stage!

Dessi-Desu

Masquerade Craftsmanship Judge

Dessi-Desu is a cosplayer, costume designer, and illustrator with over 20 years of experience. She infuses her love for art and design into cosplay and has made costumes based on her designs, along with canon projects. Currently, she is a BERNINA and bernette sewing machine brand ambassador and has created tutorials on her channels and the WeAllSew blog. For Dessi-Desu, cosplay has been an ongoing learning experience, so she is always seeking her next challenging cosplay project.

Matthew Barry

Masquerade Craftsmanship Judge

Matthew is a competitive cosplayer from the U.K. who won the Cosplay Central Crown Championship world finals in Chicago in April 2024. He believes in the power of innovation, experimentation, and having fun. Having judged international contests around the world, he is excited and honored to be a part of the team and can't wait to see what you bring!

Pros and Cons Cosplay

Masquerade Craftsmanship Judges

Pros and Cons Cosplay are twin Midwestern Master-level cosplayers who have been cosplaying for nearly 20 years. They have a strong understanding of cosplay construction and competition, as well as diversity, equity, and inclusion. They have won awards for craftsmanship and performance, focusing on complex builds with multimedia elements including needlework, foamwork, wig styling, and other techniques. They provide craftsmanship and cosplay culture paneling and workshops and are dedicated to making the cosplay community a safe and inclusive space for all. Pros and Cons Cosplay develop inclusive cosplay contest policies, teach bystander intervention strategies, and implement social justice and inclusion in the cosplay community.

Victoria Rose

Masquerade Performance Judge

Victoria Rose fell in love with cosplaying at her first-ever convention, Anime Boston, in 2016. Since then, she has made dozens of cosplays to share at conventions and online and has appeared as a guest at multiple events. Victoria won Best in Show for Performance in 2022 and 2023 and First Place Masters Performance in 2024 at Anime Boston using her extensive background in dance and choreography. You can find Victoria on Instagram at @cosplay.tory.

Guest Panelists

Clarissa Graffeo

Anime World Order

Clarissa Graffeo is one-third of the Anime World Order podcast and a contributing writer for Otaku USA magazine. For over 20 years, she has run numerous panels at East Coast conventions both alone and with her fellow AWO hosts on a variety of topics ranging from yaoi to figure collecting to building plastic model kits. In both podcast and convention panels, she balances detailed discussions of individual works and the industry with accessibility to new viewers.

Daryl Surat

Anime World Order

Daryl Surat is a producer and host of the award-winning Anime World Order podcast, which is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year. A contributor to Otaku USA Magazine since its inception in 2007, Daryl has also written for Anime News Network, Crunchyroll, and Anime Insider. Having attended anime conventions across four decades, Daryl has a fondness for cartoon violence, which he will present to you in a hopefully educational and comedic way.have lectured at libraries and universities on fandom, history, and more in hopes of bringing new perspectives to the appreciation of Japanese animation and everything else associated with it.

Gerald Rathkolb

Anime World Order

Gerald started watching anime in the early '80s. He began with "Robotech" and has been watching avidly ever since. He still has his VHS copies of "Gall Force" and "Akira" only because no one else wants them, but he swears they're part of his "collection." Gerald, along with Clarissa and Daryl, started the Anime World Order podcast, which is the longest-running general anime podcast. He has also been a writer for Otaku USA.

Jarrett Melendez

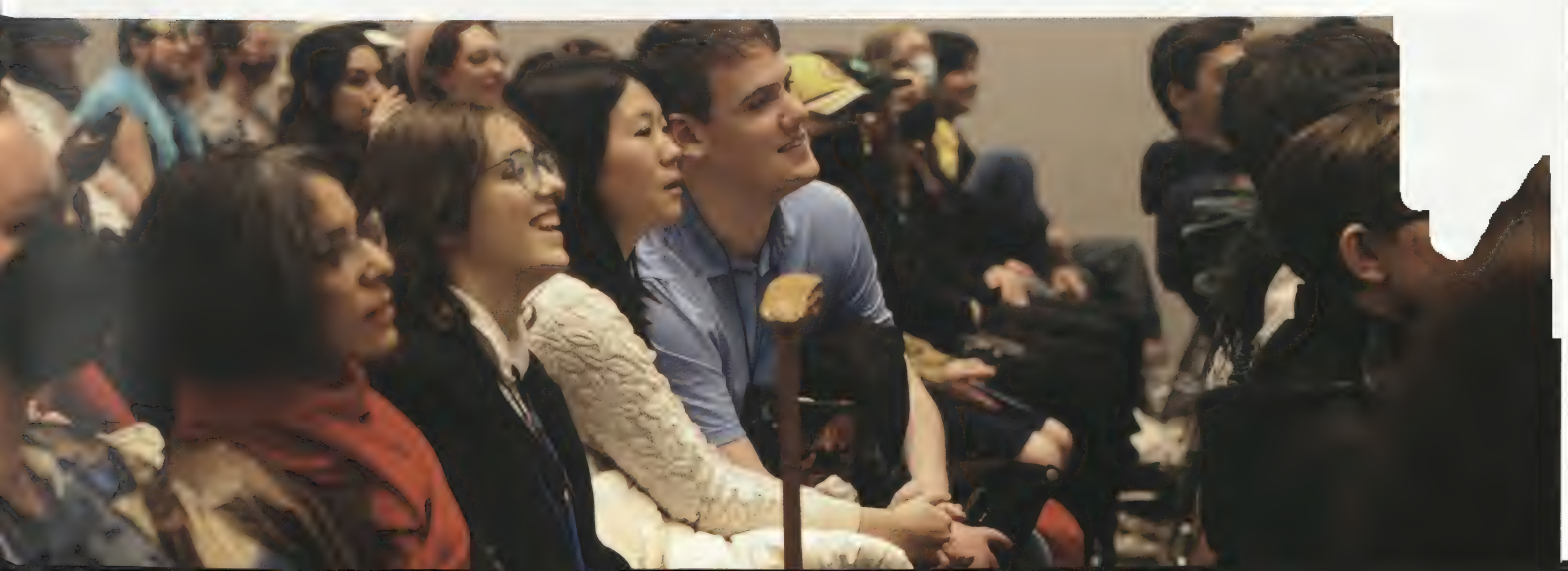
Writer

Jarrett Melendez is a GLAAD Media Award– and Eisner Award–nominated comic and graphic novel writer, cookbook author, and food journalist. He's best known for the award-winning graphic novel "Chef's Kiss." Jarrett has also contributed to award-winning and nominated anthologies and is currently working on "Tales of the Fungo: The Legend of Cep." Jarrett has created articles and original recipes that have appeared on Bon Appetit, Epicurious, Saveur, and Food52. His cookbooks include "My Pokémon Baking Book," "RuneScape: The Official Cookbook," and more. Jarrett has also appeared on the popular TV series "YOUは何しに日本へ?" ("Why Did You Come to Japan?") on TV TOKYO in February 2024.

Mike Toole

Producer, Anime Historian

Mike Toole is a producer and anime historian. Recently, he served as the editor at large at Anime News Network. Mike currently works at Discotek Media, where he has produced the U.S. Blu-ray release of "Arcadia of My Youth" and provided a guided commentary track for the 1970s anime film "Belladonna of Sadness." He has also narrated season one of "Bananya." Mike loves sharing surprising facts about anime production history—see his panels to learn more.



Panels and Featured Content

Note

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Ratings

All Ages

Generally suitable for all ages. Content may contain the following: minimal cartoon, fantasy, and mild violence and/or infrequent use of mild language.

No ID required.

Teen

Content may contain the following: violence, suggestive themes, crude humor, minimal blood, themes of gambling, and/or infrequent use of strong language. Parental guidance is advised.

No ID required.

Adult

Content may contain the following: intense and/or prolonged scenes of violence, blood and gore, graphic sexual content, gambling, and/or strong language.

18+ only. Government-issued ID required.

21+

Event takes place in a space that serves alcohol.

21+ only. Government-issued ID required.

Guest Panels

Opening Ceremonies AA

Welcome to Anime Boston! Get ready to kick off the weekend with appearances by our Guests of Honor, highlights of what to see and do, and even a performance from our musical guests! This event is not to be missed!!

Closing Ceremonies AA

The convention is over and it's time to close out an amazing weekend. Join us as we talk about the weekend, say goodbye to our guests, and enjoy some performances from incredibly talented musicians. Stick around after we're done to see the AMV Contest winners! (The AMV Contest is rated Teen.)

Anime Unscripted T

Anime Unscripted is the hit improv comedy tradition that has been at Anime Boston since day one. Watch as quick-witted guests take on the challenging games provided by your host. Of course, there's audience participation too, so you might get to be part of the show!

It's Okay to Make Bad Art — The Art of Sucking AA

Genel Jumalon

Hot take: Bad art can lead to your best creations. Hard to believe? Have a liberating discussion with Wizards of the Coast artist Genel Jumalon and learn how you can start your creative journey now.

Embracing the Uncertainty of World Building AA

Angela Zhang

Ever wanted to make your own art and stories but don't know how to start? Delve into the challenges and joy of creating original art and stories with this panel! Professional artists will share their own experiences with you and answer any questions you may have.

Enamel Pins 101: Drawing and Producing Portable Artwork AA

Rozarria

We will discuss a brief history of enamel pins dating back to the 13th century in addition to how to draw, create, and produce your own enamel pins.

HIDIVE Presents: Is It Wrong to Try to Pick Up Girls in a Dungeon? 10th Anniversary Dub Panel AA

Join us for a celebration of the fantasy adventure "Is It Wrong to Try to Pick Up Girls in a Dungeon?" We welcome special guests Bryson Baugus (Bell Cranel) and Juliet Simmons (Syr Flova) for a 10th anniversary screening and conversation on the historic franchise.

Maximum Fail: A D&D-sekai T

Stop me if you've heard this one: A bard, a rogue, and a barbarian walk into a bar ... This Dungeons & Dragons one-shot features some of your favorite anime characters played by their voice actors. **Listed guests subject to change. No audio or video recording.

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See page 33 for content ratings key. 18+ events require a government-issued ID for entry.

After Dark

Burlesque Show 18+

Scarlett Mafia

Sheraton Grand Ballroom

Scarlett Mafia is back! Bringing you shimmies and shakes, we aim to tease! For the third year in a row, Scarlett Mafia brings your 2D fantasy to the stage ... however cursed it may be.

Drag Show 18+

Sheraton Grand Ballroom

Experience a groundbreaking fusion where cosplay embraces drag in a spectacular showcase at Anime Boston. Local drag talents dazzle in anime-inspired attire, blending flamboyant drag artistry with the imaginative realm of cosplay. This unique event celebrates a colorful convergence of fandoms, igniting the stage with bold performances in a realm where two vibrant subcultures meet.

Hentai Extravaganza 18+

Hynes Ballroom BC

Come one, come all, and welcome back to the craziest show at AB. Let us entertain your weird and wild side with anime music videos of a rather, ahem, adult nature, along with audience games, hentai dubbing, and some truly terrible, terrible things.

Shenanigans 18+

Hynes 302/304/306

Shenanigans features raunchy improv games such as From a Hat or Hentai Dubbing. Participants are selected from the audience. The winners get to compete for the honor of being the grand ... rooster. Laughs guaranteed.

Tentacle Fanfic Theater 18+

Scarlett Mafia

Sheraton Republic

They're back—much to everyone's delight(???)! It's time for a bedtime story and Scarlett Mafia has only the BEST cursed fanfiction for you.

Cosplay

Masquerade T

Auditorium

The Masquerade brings together our Craftsmanship and Performance cosplay contests. Performance skit entrants compete, while the Craftsmanship entrants showcase their work. Come see cosplay, Anime Music Video Contest winners, and more at the biggest event on Saturday night!

Big Fat Quiz Show 18+

Hynes 302/304/306

Big Fat Quiz Show pits three teams of cosplayers against one another to guess the answers to trivia questions covering everything from the past year in anime to classic moments of the past — all while staying in character. Join us for big trivia and bigger laughs at this new After Dark event!

Cosplay Bingo AA

Hynes 302/304/306

Looking for a nice leisure activity at Anime Boston? Join us for Cosplay Bingo! Come by and relax while trying to match the cosplay image that is pulled to the characters on the card. Get five boxes completed in a row and get bingo! We hope you come and play!

Cosplay Gatherings AA

Various

Show off your cosplay, props, or fashion sense; find others from the same series to complete a group; or meet new people in your favorite fandom conveniently gathered together. Check Guidebook or the website for a schedule of public gatherings happening around the convention all weekend long.

Cosplay Posing 101 AA

Scarlett Mafia

Hynes 207

Need to take your cosplay photos to the next level? Learn how to create visual interest and dynamics with your pose from veteran cosplayers and published models. All bodies are cosplay bodies!

Cosplay Runway AA

Hynes Ballroom BC

Come see Anime Boston's best and brightest cosplayers strutting their stuff on the catwalk. Cheer for your favorites and show these creators some love!

Cosplay Singer AA

Hynes 302/304/306

Come support local idols as they take the stage as cosplay singers! These talented performers will bring their characters to life through live singing, aiming to dazzle and bring smiles to everyone in the audience.

Dating Game 18+

Sheraton Grand Ballroom

Not having much luck in the dating game? Would you rather stay home and watch anime? Well, lucky you! So would these cosplayers! Please join us as we assist these lucky bachelors and bachelorettes as they find the love of their lives (for the weekend at least).

Death Match T

Auditorium

Two characters enter a stage, a victor is chosen via the crowd's roaring approval, and the loser is slaughtered in mock combat while the winner moves on to the next round. In this tournament, characters from various anime and manga will fight it out until only one fan favorite remains!

Idol Showcase AA

Auditorium

The Idol Showcase is a cosplay exhibition event for performers and all kinds of enthusiasts to celebrate a shared passion for idols. Come watch your favorite stars shine in the spotlight, featuring performances of some of the most iconic songs and dances across the entire idol genre!

In-Character Contest T

Auditorium, Ballroom BC

Anime Boston is proud to announce our first improv contest for cosplay performers! If you think you can stay in character through any adversity, this event may be for you. The In-Character Contest is composed of two events: the Qualifying Event and the Finals Event, which will happen on separate days.

Lip-Sync Battle T

Sheraton Grand Ballroom

Cosplay Lip-Sync Battle is a bracket-style performance event where 16 competitors (solos or pairs) give lip-sync performances to preselected songs of their choice. For each pair of competitors,

the audience will use its cheers to select/vote for its favorite performance to move to the next round.

Scavanger Hunt AA

Hynes 202

Complete cosplay-themed objectives by snapping pictures. See more of what Anime Boston has to offer as you work your way through the halls. We look forward to seeing you this year and having more fun!

Fashion

Form and Fashion: The World of DIY and Alterations in Lolita Fashion AA

Hynes 202

Fashion can come at a premium but it doesn't need to! Dive into the world of creating and modifying your own skirts, dresses, accessories, and so much more. This panel provides resources for beginners and experts alike to make Lolita more accessible for all.

Frills and Bills: A Lolita Shopping Guide AA

Hynes 202

How do you buy your first dress? Join us in this panel to learn how to spend your hard-earned cash on all the frills you desire! More experienced frillseekers can also hear about recommendations on shopping services, indie brands, and more!

Gender-Nonconforming Men in Lolita Fashion AA

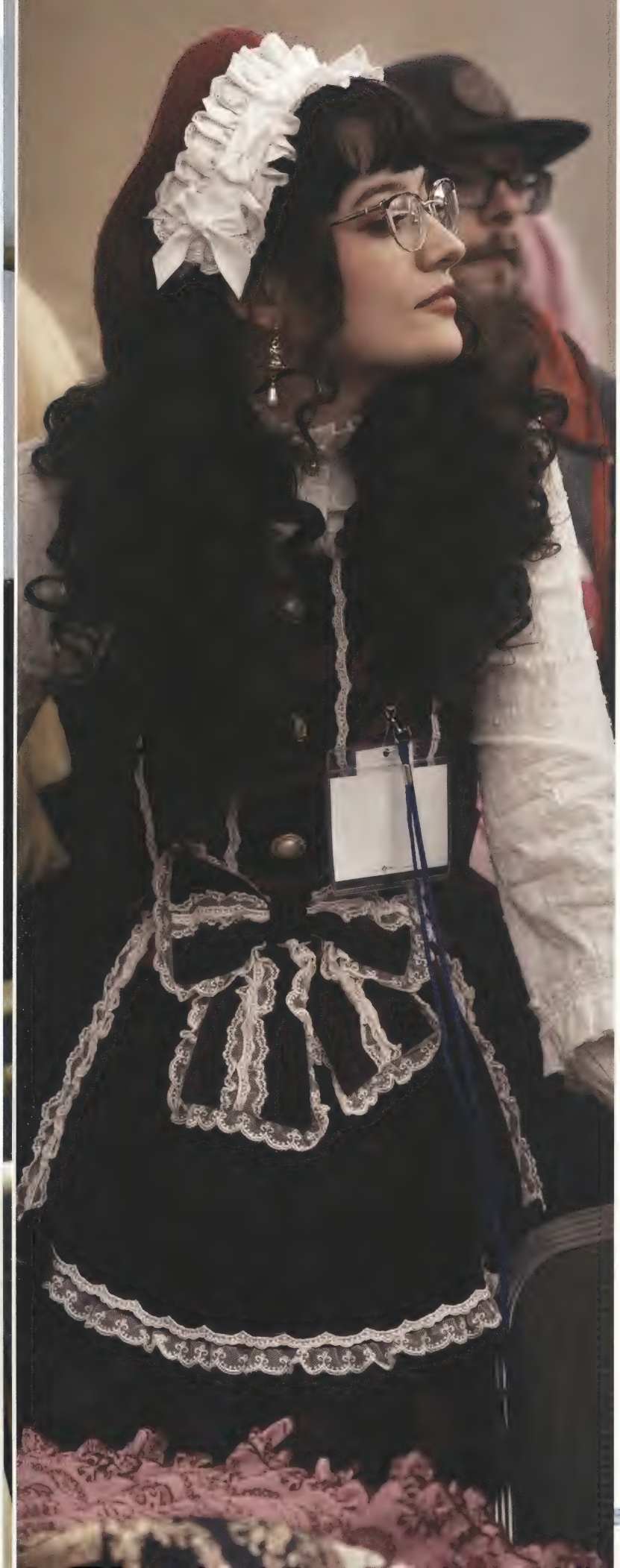
Hynes 202

Learn about the history, experiences, and self-expression of men in the Lolita fashion subculture, a stereotypically hyperfeminine Japanese street style.

J-Fashion Show AA

Hynes 302/304/306

Come see participants in beautiful designs from Lolita and alternative Japanese fashion walk down the runway, featuring works by local and international designers.



Lolita Fashion 101 AA

Hynes 202

Learn about Lolita fashion, the frilly Japanese street fashion! This panel covers the basics of a Lolita coordinate, what different styles look like, and how to get started in the fashion. This panel also features a fashion walk, showing off different Lolita styles.

Lolita Hell: The Cringe, the Bad, and the Ita 18+

Hynes 207

Lolitas are lovelies, right? WRONG. Let's explore the online Lolita community's funniest, strangest, and most dramatic moments. From the good old days on LiveJournal to present day TikTok, these stories will make you laugh, cringe, and cry.

Lolita Swap Meet AA

Hynes Ballroom A

One person's petticoat is another person's treasure. Bring your Lolita and alternative Japanese fashion clothing to swap with other fashionistas!

Plus-Size Lolita Fashion AA

Hynes 202

Interested in Lolita fashion, but worried you won't find anything in your size? We got you! This body-positive panel covers a wide range of subjects: taking accurate measurements, styles and fits to suit your shape, plus-size brands, and some tips and tricks for Lolitas of all shapes and sizes!

Games and Game Shows

Anime Boston has an exciting weekend of trivia, hijinks, and more. Audience members have the chance to win wacky prizes, so come to our game shows! See Guidebook for a complete listing.

Family Feud T

Hynes 302/304/306

The top eight answers are on the board — can you guess what a group of anime fans thinks in this anime-themed game show?

Taskmaster 18+

Hynes 302/304/306

Come perform unique tasks in unexpected ways in this creative game show inspired by BBC's "Taskmaster."

Um, Actually!

Hynes 302/304/306 T

First featured on Dropout, Um, Actually! is about what nerds love most: correcting people.

Gaming

Arcade Gaming T

Freeplay Bar & Arcade and Touhou Road Shou

Hynes 311

Want even more video gaming? Head to our arcade room to check out a selection of arcade cabinets. Discover quirky Japanese games, explore old favorites, or get into the idol spirit with some rhythm games!

Console Gaming T

Hynes Hall B

Visit the video game area to play current games or rediscover old favorites. Pair up with a friend for some button-mashing fighting game fun, or join a group of strangers racing go-karts and make new friends. There is something for everyone to enjoy!

Tabletop Gaming AA

Hynes Hall B

From traditional games such as Settlers of Catan to card games such as Magic: The Gathering and Yu-Gi-Oh!, Anime Boston's tabletop gaming includes a giant library of games to borrow from, tools to help find people to play games with, and plenty of special events.

K-Pop Programming

From BTS to Blackpink, we have panels, workshops, and games — and, of course, the annual K-Pop Contest. Get your groove on and let loose on the dance floor! T

K-Pop 101

K!Junkies

Hynes 207

Want to dig a little deeper into K-pop? We've got you covered! Join us to learn all about the history of all things K-pop.

K-Pop Dance Workshop AA

K!Junkies

Hynes Ballroom A

Want to learn the choreography to the best K-pop songs? Join us for a lesson from a talented K-pop coverist as they teach the moves to K-pop songs in a step-by-step workshop.

K-Pop Random Dance Game AA

K!Junkies

Hynes Ballroom A

Jump on in and dance alongside other K-pop fans in a nonstop K-Pop Random Dance Game! From old to new songs, the choruses of popular K-pop songs will play while fans gather to dance along to the original choreography.

K-Pop Survival! Save One, Drop One

K!Junkies AA

Hynes 302/304/306

It's the classic "Save One, Drop One" K-pop game, but with a live audience! Participate in a live poll and compete with other audience members to save your favorite K-pop song.

K-Pop Time! AA

K!Junkies

Hynes Ballroom A

Calling all K-pop fans, old and new! Play along in several icebreaker-style minigames relating to your K-pop stan life! Meet other fans and make a few friends in these free-for-all games.

Killing Point! K-Pop Skit Contest T

K!Junkies

Hynes Ballroom B/C

K!Junkies is bringing a new type of contest for all K-pop fandoms to enjoy! Killing Point will present performances ranging from K-pop and anime crossovers, reenactments of our favorite K-pop moments, and even original skits representing the life of K-pop fandom. Watch as these creative K-pop fans compete for prizes!

Music

Don't miss a staple of Anime Boston programming as our musical guests perform for you! From rock bands to orchestras to more intimate musical experiences with composers, our lineup is sure to bring you a one-of-a-kind music experience.

Jam Zone AA

Sheraton Republic

A lounge area where the music is live and the vibes are chill. Sign up to jam for fun or grab a seat and enjoy the tunes.

Karaoke Contest AA

Hynes 302/304/306

Twelve singers will compete live for the karaoke trophy and prizes. There's only one trophy and every audience vote counts!

Karaoke Lounge AA

Hynes 313

Sit in the lounge and relax, or strengthen your vocal cords in front of your friends. We have a large library of music and can put lyrics on screen. However, it's always a good idea to bring your own CD/audio player with you if there is a song you really want to sing.

Panels

Panels are a staple at Anime Boston, whether they're presentations, discussions, workshops, or game shows, covering a variety of topics such as Japan, anime, Japanese video games, and the global culture Japan and anime has inspired.

Maid Café Live! AA

Hynes 302/304/306

Missed the Maid Café? Want to see our maids and butlers perform and play games with them? Well, you're in luck! Come to the Maid Café Live Show, get ready to have some fun, and give us your best "Moe, moe, kyun!"

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Social Events

21+ Lounge 21+

Kings (50 Dalton St)

Go off-location and hang with the AB fam at the 21+ Lounge at Kings (off-site, 30 Dalton St.). There's drinks, food, music, and games! 21+ only; ID required. Entry is first come, first served.

Formal Ball AA

Hynes Ballroom A

Spend the evening elegantly dressed while dancing to your anime and video game favorites. Join our beginner's ballroom class beforehand to learn the basics. At-con tickets are available for purchase on a first-come, first-served basis at Registration. Formal dress is required.

Ita-Bag Show-and-Tell AA

Workshop Fairfax

Want to decorate an ita-bag but don't know where to start? Want to connect with others and show off your bag? Come join us for a casual workshop where we do just that!

Maid Café AA

Coffee House

Pick up a reservation card before stopping by the Maid Café, where you can enjoy a lovely beverage and snack while our maid staff sing and dance for the crowd. Did everyone sign your postcard yet? Don't forget to grab a photo with them on the way out!

Sketchbook Swap AA

Sheraton Fairfax

Bring your sketchbook and have it doodled in while you doodle in others' sketchbooks! Artists of any level

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are welcome; this is for fun! We will provide some paper and basic tools for those that need them, but please try to bring your own.

Slumber Party AA

Hynes Ballroom A

Come join us for AB's snuggly slumber party! Come to chill, chat, play games, watch some anime, paint your nails, color, and more! Bring your friends or come alone; there's plenty to do! Come in your normal clothes, your PJs, or a slumber party cosplay! All ages welcome.

Speed Friending 18+

Hynes 110/111

Chat with some cool new friends who love anime! If you're feeling nervous, we got you covered with a variety of conversation topics. Just be yourself! Attendees must be 18 or older to participate.

Swap Meet AA

Hynes Ballroom A

Have you ever bought something and later wished you'd chosen something else? If so, the Swap Meet may be the place for you. Tables and dedicated floor space must be reserved in advance.

Video

AMV Contest T

Hynes Ballroom B/C

The AMV Contest is Anime Boston's annual exhibition and competition for fan-created music videos. Competitors from across the globe sink hundreds of hours of effort into these works of creative fandom. Our judges have selected the finalists, but the winners will be decided by votes from the audience.

Fan Creations Theater

Hynes 312

Come by Fan Creations, where you'll find AMVs and other fan-created video content. All weekend long we'll spotlight old and new favorites from staff and attendees along with game shows and interactive events.

HIDIVE Presents 2.5 Dimensional Seduction Dub Special Screening Eps 1 & 2 T

Join HIDIVE for the long-awaited English dub of "2.5 Dimensional Seduction"! This romcom is a love letter to cosplay and anime fandom and is a screening you don't want to miss!

HIDIVE Presents: From Bureaucrat to Villainess: Dad's Been Reincarnated! Dub Special Screening Eps 1 & 2 AA

Join HIDIVE for a screening of the new English dub for "From Bureaucrat to Villainess: Dad's Been Reincarnated!", the story of a middle-aged man stuck in a video game and forced to play the role of a drill-haired villainess. Hilarious, heartwarming, and action-packed in turns, this standout anime appeals to everyone. (Yes, even the isekai haters!)

HIDIVE Presents: Rock is a Lady's Modesty Special Screening Eps 1 & 2 T

Rock out with HIDIVE at this special screening of "Rock is a Lady's Modesty"! Love comedy? Love heavy metal!? Then you'll love watching these proper young ladies ROCK YOUR FACES OFF on the convention screen!

HIDIVE Presents: Sword of the Demon Hunter Dub World Premiere Episode 1 T

Join us for the English dub world premiere of the spring simulcast epic "Sword of the Demon Hunter: Kijin Gentosho." This time-travelling, demon-fighting fantasy series is sure to please shonen action fans and drama fans alike.

Video Rooms

Hynes 210

Our video rooms use projectors or HD TVs, sound reinforcement, and, where possible, Blu-ray–quality footage. Don't worry about streaming delays, buffering issues, or quality dips — just meet new friends and, of course, watch some good anime. For a complete showing list, check Guidebook.

Workshops

We offer a variety of workshops from sewing plushies to learning advanced cosplay techniques. Some workshops require a ticket, while others have a material fee that can be paid at the door. For details, check Guidebook.

Gundam Building AA

Sheraton Public Garden

Come build a Gundam with friends — or rivals! Share tips and techniques while chatting with others about your favorite Gundam anime! Gundams not provided.

Make It to Fake It (How to Make EVA Foam Look Like Anything) T

Coscom Cosplay Supplies

Workshop Fairfax

EVA foam is used for cosplay props and armor — but how do you make foam look like metal, wood, or any other material? This workshop will cover the basics of EVA foam and demonstrate the principles of weathering and material manipulation in a hands-on experience. Ages 13+. Ticket purchase required.

Pastie Making 101 18+

Scarlett Mafia

Workshop Fairfax

Learn to make pasties just like your favorite performers with Scarlett Mafia! Glitter, rhinestones, and a prayer — let's craft!! $10 a person. Venmo, Cash App, and cash accepted at the door.

Artists' Alley

Welcome back to another year of the Artists' Alley!

Welcome to the Artists' Alley, where you can find a creative variety of talented artists and their amazing art, both original and fan-inspired. Whether you're browsing for any art or searching for something niche, this is the place to be. The Artists' Alley is located on the first floor of Hynes, Hall A. You can also check out the Art Show in their gallery space, where you can find unique pieces up for bid in our silent auction.

If you have any questions, please visit the Artists' Alley Staff at the desk located to the left of the entrance to Artists' Alley.

Art Show

Friday: 11 a.m.–8 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m.–8 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Rules for Attendees

Food and Drink

No open food or drink is allowed, except by artists and staff. Visitors are not allowed to eat in the Artists' Alley.

Photography

To avoid crowding and traffic jams, please do not stop to take pictures of cosplayers. Please do not record video of or photograph any artist's table and/or art without permission. Doing so can be considered art theft, which we do not condone.

Empty Tables

Please do not sit down at any tables in the Artists' Alley because all spaces have been rented by artists. For those who would like to sell art but do not have table space, please do not set up on the floor or in the hallway. If you have any questions, please visit the Artist's Alley Staff, located to the left of the entrance to Artists' Alley.

Traffic

Please do not congregate in doorways or block aisles and neighboring tables while viewing an artist's work, and please do not place your bags on an artist's table.

Artists

Please be respectful while talking with the artists, and please do not harass them. When in doubt, please listen to Anime Boston staff members. All other Anime Boston convention rules apply. If you have any questions or issues you would like to discuss, please visit the Artists' Alley Staff, located to the left of the entrance to Artists' Alley.

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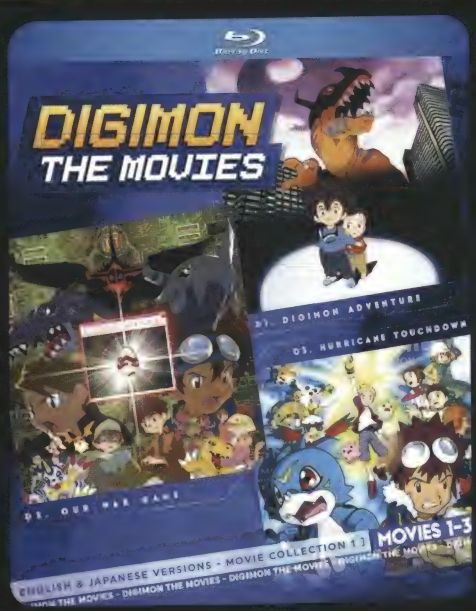

Artists' Alley & Art Show

Hynes 1st Floor
Hall A

Hours

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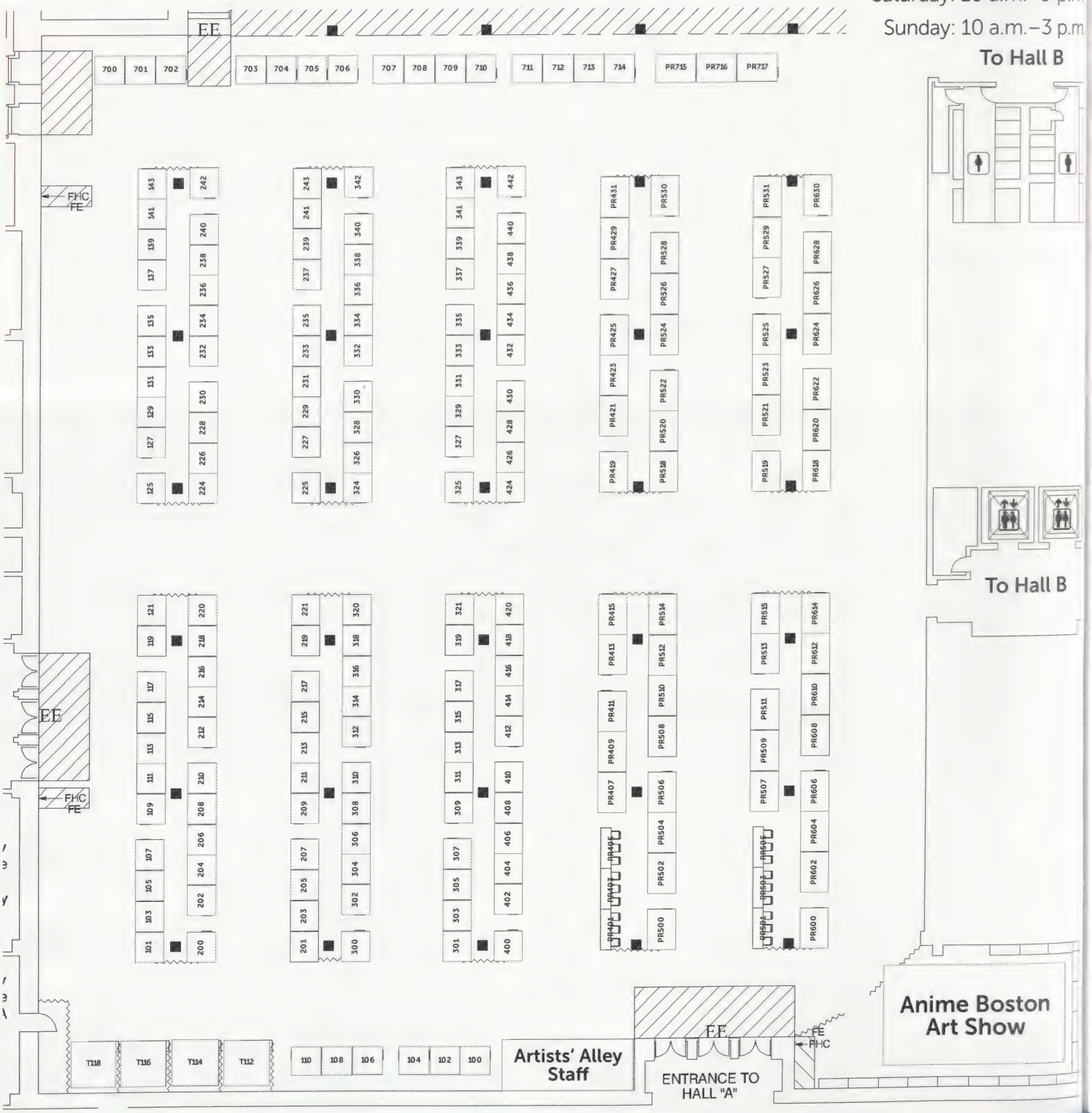

Autographs & Gaming

Hynes 1st Floor

Hall B

Hours

Friday: 10 a.m.–11 p.m.

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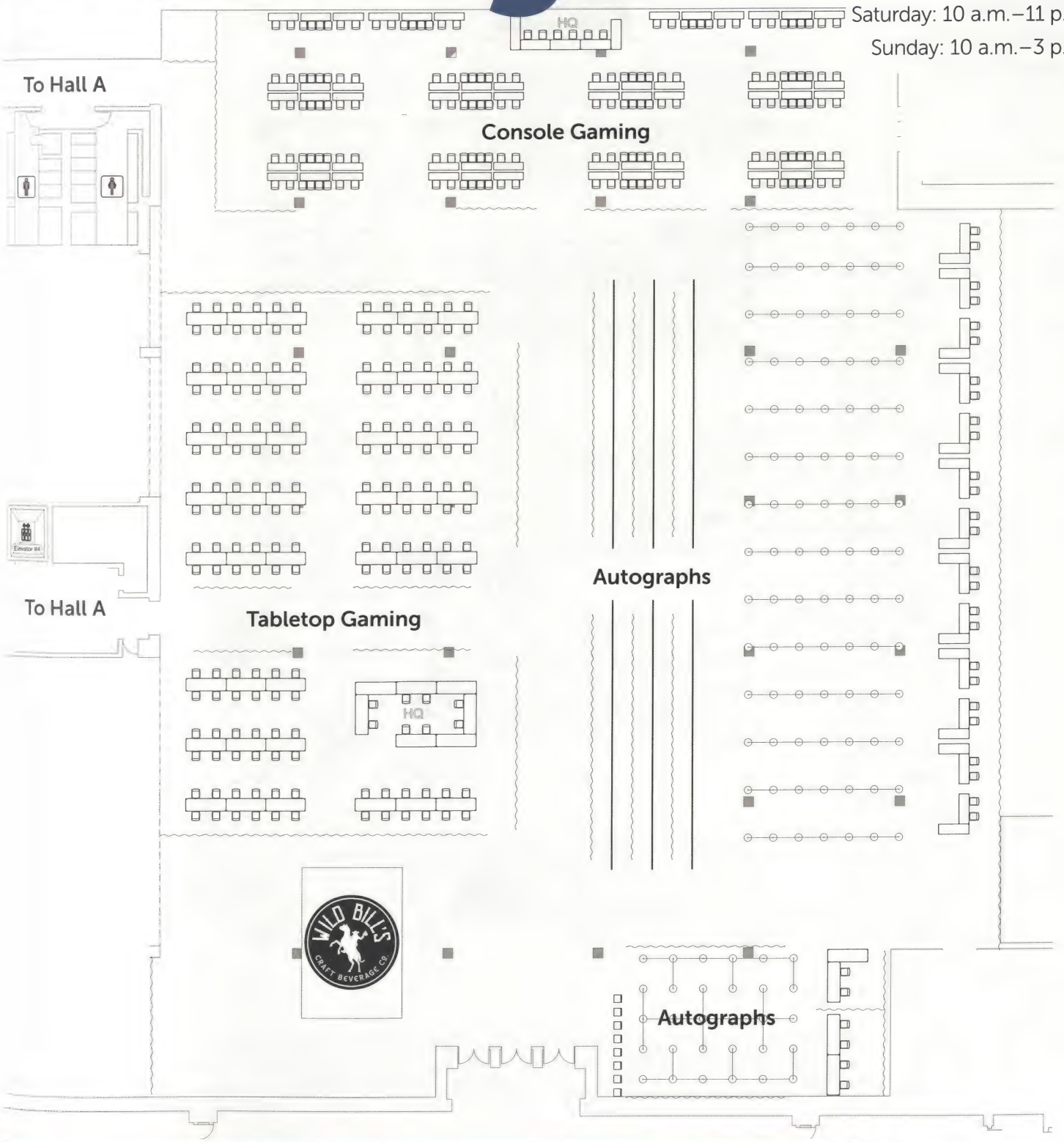

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A full listing of this year's dealers can be found at Animeboston.com/dr and in the Guidebook App!

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